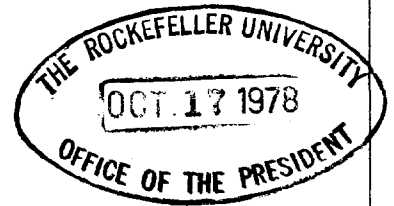


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Dr. Joshua Lederberg
President, Rockefeller University
1230 York Avenue
New York, New York 10021

Dear Dr. Lederberg:

On behalf of John Sawhill and myself, I am writing to invite your participation in a regular discussion group known as the Science and Society Workshop. A relatively new endeavor, this project was initiated about six months ago under the auspices of the New York Institute for the Humanities; one of its principal objectives is to provide distinguished scientists and humanists from institutions throughout the New York area with an opportunity to meet for congenial discussion of topics of mutual concern. Meetings are held at four-to-six week intervals. When I recently asked the current members to propose new participants, your name was mentioned time and again. ✓

① → The next meeting of the Workshop will be held on Tuesday, November 7, at New York University. The session will begin at 6 p.m. with a 30-40 minute presentation by the evening's featured speaker, Dr. Mary Douglas, a program director at the Russell Sage Foundation. Dr. Douglas' talk - "Cultural Aspects of Food Habits: Implications for Health and Diet" - will focus on research that is currently being conducted under the auspices of Russell Sage. Following her presentation, there will be general discussion over drinks and dinner; the session will run to about 9:30. ✓

I hope you will be able to join us for what promises to be a most stimulating evening. Additional details about the precise location of the meeting will be sent to you shortly; in the meantime, I would appreciate it if you would please inform Ms. Mary Ann Worklan (598-2874) whether or not you will be able to attend. I look forward to your participation in this project and to seeing you on November 7.

Sincerely yours,

Vivien B. Shelanski
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Enclosure

② → P.S. If my name is familiar, it is because I was and still am the Editor of the Harvard Newsletter (formerly, Public Conceptions of Science, now Science, Technology & Human Values) on whose Editorial Board you served. Now a resident of New York, I have recently joined the staff of the Humanities Institute.